



State of North Carolina
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Winston-Salem Regional Office

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
GROUNDWATER SECTION

NOTICE OF REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

March 30, 1993

CERTIFIED MAIL P 409 335 652
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

National Steel Service, Inc.
Attn: Dennis O'Neal
P.O. Box 6000
Norcross, GA 30091

RE: National Steel Service Center, 7965 Service Road,
Greensboro, NC
Guilford County

Dear Mr. O'Neal:

Information received by this office on March 17, 1993 confirms a release from the underground storage tank system at the above referenced site. This letter is a standard notification to advise you of the legal requirements pertaining to such a release under North Carolina law. The Division of Environmental Management administers the State's rules for underground storage tanks and the required corrective action for petroleum releases adopted pursuant to Chapter 143 of the North Carolina General Statutes. The State rules for underground storage tanks are located in Title 15A, Subchapter 2N of the North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC). Also, the State rules for groundwater contamination are located in Title 15A, Subchapter 2L of the Code. Pursuant to 15A NCAC 2N .0203, National Steel Service, Inc. is the owner of the underground storage tanks and therefore must comply with the release response and corrective action requirements of the State's rules. A copy of this section of the rules (.0700) is attached for your reference.

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Title 15A NCAC 2N .0702 requires National Steel Service, Inc. to take immediate action to prevent any further release of the regulated substance into the environment and identify and mitigate any fire, explosion, and vapor hazards. Upon receipt of this notice, National Steel Service, Inc. must immediately perform these requirements if not already addressed.

Title 15A NCAC 2N .0703 requires National Steel Service, Inc. to undertake certain initial abatement measures, perform a site check, and if free product is discovered, begin recovery within 14 days thereafter. A report of the measures National Steel Service, Inc. has taken to comply with this rule must be received by the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services at P.O. Box 18807, Greensboro, NC 27419 no later than 20 days from the receipt of this letter.

Title 15A NCAC 2N .0704 requires that National Steel Service, Inc. assemble information about the nature and quantity of the release itself and certain surrounding demographic conditions. A report of this information must be received by the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services by no later than 45 days from the receipt of this letter.

Title 15A NCAC 2N .0705 describes the requirements for removal of free product if discovered during the initial site check. A report describing the free product removal measures being undertaken must be received by the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services by no later than 45 days from the receipt of this letter.

If certain conditions exist as described in the rule, 15A NCAC 2N .0706 requires that National Steel Service, Inc. conduct a comprehensive investigation of the release to determine the full extent and location of soils contaminated and any concentrations of dissolved product contamination in the State's groundwaters. This rule requires National Steel Service, Inc. to determine the full horizontal and vertical extent of the contamination caused by the release from its underground storage tank system. In order to comply with this requirement, it may be necessary to go beyond the release site and onto surrounding areas to determine the full extent of contamination. If conditions determined in the initial site check require this investigation, then a complete report of the required investigation must be submitted to the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services by no later than 90 days after receipt of this letter.

At any time after reviewing the information submitted under rules .0702 through .0707, the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services may require owners to submit additional information or to develop and submit a corrective action plan for

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contaminated soils and groundwater. If the State's groundwater has been contaminated, Title 15A, Subchapter 2L .0106 requires that a corrective action plan be submitted, approved, and implemented until such time that National Steel Service, Inc. can demonstrate that continuation of the corrective action plan would not result in any significant reduction in the concentration of contaminants. If a corrective action plan is required by the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services, then public notice of the plan must be provided pursuant to 15A NCAC 2N .0708.

With the exception of the 20 day report required by 15A NCAC 2N .0703, the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services may establish, in writing, an alternate compliance schedule for the remaining requirements of the corrective action rules and may allow certain of the required reports to be combined. In order for such an alternate compliance schedule to be considered, National Steel Service, Inc. must contact the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services immediately and follow-up in writing with a proposed schedule. Otherwise the requirements and deadlines of each rule are expected to be complied with. Upon any violations of established deadlines, no further notice will be sent and this office may immediately request that enforcement measures be commenced.

In accordance with G.S. 143-215.6A, failure to comply with the State's rules may result in the assessment of civil penalties against National Steel Service, Inc. of up to \$10,000 per rule violation. Also, if groundwater standards have been exceeded under 15A NCAC 2L .0202, National Steel Service, Inc. may also be assessed a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 for each standard violation. Each day that a violation continues may be considered a separate violation.

Failure to comply with the corrective action rules may also result in the Attorney General of the State requesting an injunction in Superior Court requiring the necessary measures. Also any willful or knowing noncompliance which allows groundwater standards to continually be exceeded could result in criminal sanctions being sought under G.S. 143-215.6B.

To arrange for an alternate compliance schedule, you should contact Sharon K. Cihak of the Guilford County Department of Emergency Services at (919) 373-7565.

Sincerely,

Larry D. Coble

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Regional Supervisor

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P.O., State and ZIP Code <i>NORCROSS, GA 30091</i>	
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NORR, National Steel Service, Inc. 7965 Service Road, Marietta

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